

**In the Specification:**

[000013] According to the invention, this object is achieved by film-shaped or wafer-shaped pharmaceutical preparations, for administering active substances which have an unpleasant taste, containing at least one matrix-forming polymer. The matrix-forming polymer comprises at least one active substance and at least one gas-forming component therein. The gas-forming component comprises at least one carbon dioxide-forming substance, without the addition of an acid, reducing or suppressing the unpleasant taste of the active substance.

[000014] The pharmaceutical preparations according to the invention comprise a matrix which is formed of at least one matrix-forming polymer and which, apart from at least one active substance, also has at least one carbon dioxide-forming agent, without the addition of an acid, dissolved or dispersed therein.

[000017] The sensation of taste in the case of oral application of a pharmaceutical preparation according to the present invention which contains a carbon-dioxide-forming substance without added acid is, surprisingly, altered such that bitter-tasting substances or active agents no longer produce an unpleasant taste, or do so only to a strongly reduced degree.